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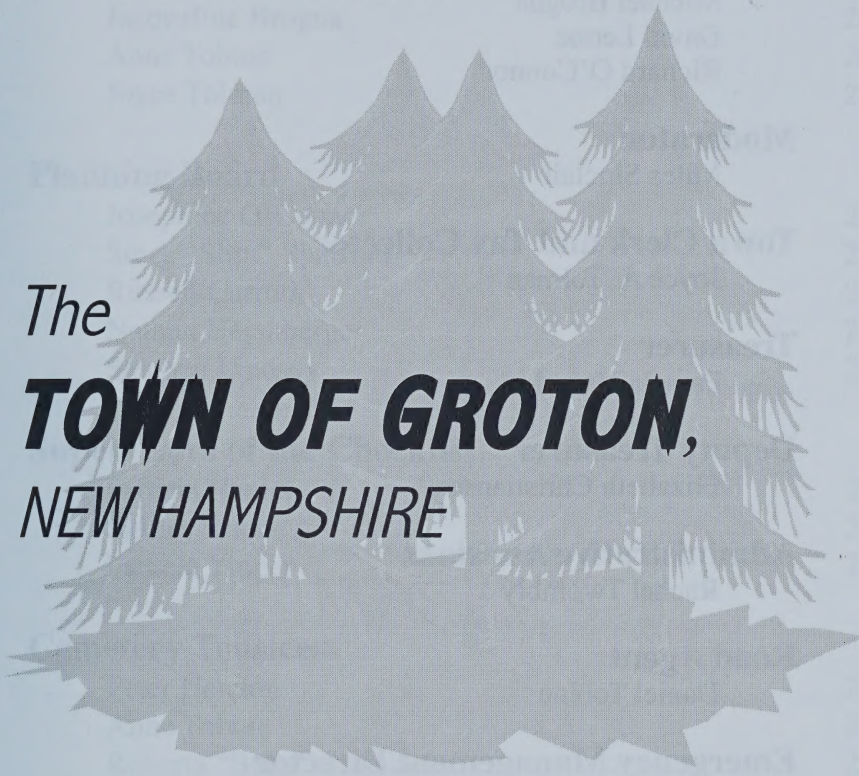
ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE OFFICERS OF

The

TOWN OF GROTON,

NEW HAMPSHIRE



YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

Groton Town Officials

December 31, 2006

Board of Selectmen

Michael Brogna	2007
David Leone	2008
Richard O'Connor	2009

Moderator

Miles Sinclair	2008
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Town Clerk and Tax Collector

Joyce A. Tolman	2009
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Treasurer

Pamela Hamel	2007
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Deputy Treasurer

Elizabeth Christiansen

Administrative Assistant

Rachel Twombly

Road Agent

Daniel Tobine	2007
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Emergency Management Director

Norman Willey
Mike Lemieux (Asst.)

Fire Chief/Fire Warden

Roger Thompson

Police Chief

William White

Health Officer

Charles Stata

Librarian

Pamela Yinger

Groton Town Officials (Continued)

December 31, 2006

Library Trustees

Jacqueline Brogna	2007
Anne Tobine	2007
Joyce Tolman	2009

Planning Board

Josephine O'Connor	2008
Steve "Slim" Spafford	2009
Russell Carruth	2008
Nathan Hershberger	2008
Stephen Lindsey	2009

Supervisors of the Checklist

Pamela Hamel	2007
Shirley Leone	2007
Pamela Yinger	2010

Cemetery Trustees

Peter Newton	2007
Anne Tobine	2007
Roberta "Betty" Smolinsky	2008

Trustee of Trust Funds

Karen Hershberger	2007
Shirley Leone	2008
Alicia Brogna	2007

A LETTER FROM THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The 2006-year was completed under budget. The board continues to focus on the town's infrastructure needs along with its everyday operations. This focus becomes most important as pressures from education, energy, healthcare, state and county costs continue to rise.

The town instituted an interim growth ordinance during the year. The townspeople overwhelmingly voted in favor of this ordinance. This same question will be on this year's town ballot to be voted on by the people to become permanent.

After the dismissal of the transfer station supervisor, the board decided that we didn't need two operators at all times, Norm Willey has taken over the administrative duties and is receiving a small stipend for his services. Dan Tobine, our road agent, has completed the warranted project. We completed more than was anticipated and still came in under budget on that article.

The board initiated action to regulate the use of subsurface wastewater disposal systems. We adopted, "The Town of Groton Health Regulations" for the purpose of protecting public health and the safety of its people. The board will also be addressing environmental issues pertaining to junkyards during the next year. We are seeking ways to improve the sight and operation of these properties. Through education and compliance assistance, it is our hope, that recycling yard operators understand the environmental impact this may have on our community.

During the year the board started tax deed proceedings on various properties throughout town that were in arrears on their taxes. As a result the town has acquired properties that we will be looking to auction off as time allows.

Due to the resignation of treasurer, Deb Lindsey in December 2006 and the appointment of Pam Hamel, the end of the year reports were delayed and unfortunately we could not get the MS-5 completed prior to town meeting. Once complete, notices will be posted letting residents know that the MS-5 can be viewed.

The board wishes to thank all those who have volunteered their time and efforts to help Groton over the course of the year.

Town of Groton Board of Selectmen,
Michael Brogna Chairman, Richard O'Connor, David Leone

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF OFFICES AT THE TOWN HOUSE

The following is a list of costs that were expended through the flood insurance money received from the Local Government Center totaling \$45,657.00 after the June 10, 2005 flood.

Elevator	All Ways Accessible	\$ 17,349.00
Carpentry	JW Carpentry	\$ 20,125.00
Heating	Blodgett Plumbing	\$ 1,425.20
Electric	Morrison Electric	\$ 4,938.45
Glass	Granite State Glass	\$ 819.35
Carpet	DeFrancisco Carpet	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL		\$ 45,657.00

GASB#34 UPDATE

We have everything in place for the town to become GASB#34 compliant, however after speaking with the State Department of Revenue we determined that the State is not requiring towns to become GASB#34 compliant, the auditing firms are. When questioned it was explained that all auditing firms are required to become compliant and therefore, their clients must comply also. GASB#34 is an in depth auditing practice that is trying to bring towns up to the "corporate level of business and accounting management". Once compliant the yearly auditing fees will almost double due to the extra time that it will take to complete the audit. When asked why the Town of Groton needs to be compliant if the state is not requiring us to do so it was stated that should the town want to enter into a major project that would require a loan we would not be able to do so until we are GASB#34 compliant. We do not foresee any upcoming projects that would require the town to enter in to a loan therefore; we will wait to move forward with the completion of the compliance in order to save auditing fees. In 2007 the Town Clerk/Tax Collector will be audited along with the completion of the selectmen's MS-5 required by the state.

Town of Groton Warrant 2007 Annual Meeting

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT FOR 2007 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF GROTON

To the inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the county of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Groton Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, next, polls to be open at eleven o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening for voting on Article 1, and meeting for action on the remaining articles in the Warrant at six o'clock in the evening.

BALLOT ARTICLES MARCH 13, 2007

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

DELIBERATIVE SESSION MARCH 13, 2007

ARTICLE 2: To see if the town will authorize the planning board to review and approve or disapprove site plans for the development or change or expansion of use of tracts for non-residential uses or for multi-family dwelling units, which are defined as structures containing more than 2 dwelling units, whether or not such development includes a subdivision or resubdivision of the site. If the ballot question regarding the zoning ordinance fails, this article shall be null and void.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 3: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred eighteen thousand two hundred eight three dollars (\$518,283.00), which represents the Operating Budget for the ensuing year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) for the preparation and shimming of River Road.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty eight thousand dollars (\$28,000.00) for the purchase of a 2007 Ford Expedition Police Cruiser less the trade in value of (\$4,500.00) and to fund the balance by authorizing the transfer of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize the transfer of thirteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$13,500.00) from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2006.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand nine hundred fifty-five dollar (\$6,955.00) for the second year's lease/purchase on the 2006 Ford F350 Cab/Chassis for the highway department and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$6,995.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2006. This lease contains an escape clause.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter in to a 3 year lease/agreement for a New Holland B95 4wd Backhoe for the highway department at a total cost of fifty three thousand eight hundred eighty four dollars (53,884.00) less the \$16,000.00 from the trade value of the Ford 555d backhoe, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand three hundred eighty three dollars (\$13,383.00) for the first years lease payment, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$13,383.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2006. This lease has an escape clause.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand three hundred seventy five dollars (\$4375.00) for the purpose of purchasing and installing an intercom system and automated elevator doors at the town house and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$4375.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2006.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) for the purpose of purchasing and installing two pressur-

ized toilets at the town house and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$1,500.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2006.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) for the purpose of installing a perimeter/seal drain around the town house.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing a Stainless Steel Sander, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of (\$2,500) from the Truck/Sander Capital Reserve Fund and to further authorize the transfer of (\$2,500) from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2006.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for deposit in to the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing 60 Inch Finish Trail Mower in order to maintain town properties.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of repairing Province Road.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to establish an Elevator Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of future financing for the elevator replacement due to the ADA Act Compliance and to further raise and appropriate five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in this fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for deposit in to the Disaster Relief Capital Reserve Fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Conservation Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of financing conservation projects in Groton and to further raise and appropriate one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to be placed in this fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred twenty-five dollars (\$725.00) for the purpose of purchasing 52 metal chairs and 5 folding tables for the town house.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for deposit in to the Atwell/Orange Brook Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine hundred thirty-seven dollars (\$937.00) for the purpose of purchasing a PA System for the town house.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 31:39, to authorize the imposition of a civil penalty of \$50 per day (\$1,000 maximum) upon property owners who construct structures without first obtaining a building permit, as required under Warrant Article 21 adopted in 1975.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Groton. These actions include:

1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy.
2. Creation of a major research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the Town of Groton encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices. (Petitioned Article)

(The Board of Selectmen Do Not Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell or dispose of the town owned building located on Map#5 Lot#52 63 North Groton Road.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this 13th day of February 2006.

Town of Groton Selectmen,

Michael Brogna, Chairman
Richard O'Connor
David Leone

TOWN OF GROTON - FINANCIAL STATEMENT

II - EXPENDITURES (TOTAL)

OPERATING BUDGET

SPECIAL & INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

1 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE

4130

4130.1	Administrative Assistant Salary	32,850	31,139.06	31,200
4130.2	Selectmen Stipend	9,000	7,500.00	8,250
4130.3	Moderator Salary	165	555.00	410
4310.4	Other Town Meeting Expense	250	237.00	400
4310.5	Contracted Services(Web hosting, Computer Maint.)	850	746.50	1,825
4310.6	Workshops & Seminars	150	0.00	1,500
4310.7	Telephone/Internet	1,300	1,171.24	2,000
4310.8	Travel Expenses	1,000	779.44	500
4310.9	Supplies	2,500	1,867.30	2,500
4310.1	Postage	800	747.08	600
4310.11	Furniture / Fixtures	500	0.00	500
4310.12	Office Equipment Maintenance	500	0.00	0

ELECTION/REGIST/VITAL STATS

4140

4140.1	Town Clerk/Tax Collector Salary	37,882	36,820.31	42,895
4140.2	Deputy Wages	24,960	24,960.00	24,960
4140.3	Town Clerk Fees - Other	2,080	565.00	2,080
4140.4	Workshops & Seminars	1,000	732.30	1,500
4140.5	Telephone/Internet	1,500	1,357.55	1,600
4140.6	Software System Upgrades	1,000	877.14	950
4140.7	Advertising	3,000	1,460.00	4,000
4140.8	Supplies-Election	1,000	319.50	500
4140.9	Supplies-General	25	76.55	25
4140.1	Postage	500	323.92	1,600
4140.11	Other Town Clerk Expenses	1,000	855.58	1,900
4140.12	Election	25	924.45	500
4140.13	Ballot Clerks	412	0.00	0
4140.14	Checklist Supervisors	630	2,530.00	1,640

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

4150

26,353	19,645.25	25,040
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2007 BUDGET

Budget
2007 Proposed

Actual

Thru 12/31/2006 2006 Budget

638,258	552,879	602,227
518,283	447,183	491,771
119,975	105,696	110,456

221,720	188,013.64	214,170
49,865	44,742.62	49,685

32,850	31,139.06	31,200
9,000	7,500.00	8,250
165	555.00	410
250	237.00	400
850	746.50	1,825
150	0.00	1,500
1,300	1,171.24	2,000
1,000	779.44	500
2,500	1,867.30	2,500
800	747.08	600
500	0.00	500
500	0.00	0
37,882	36,820.31	42,895

24,960	24,960.00	24,960
2,080	565.00	2,080
1,000	732.30	1,500
1,500	1,357.55	1,600
1,000	877.14	950
3,000	1,460.00	4,000
1,000	319.50	500
25	76.55	25
500	323.92	1,600
1,000	855.58	1,900
25	924.45	500
412	0.00	0
630	2,530.00	1,640
750	1,838.32	1,640
26,353	19,645.25	25,040

2007 BUDGET

4150.1	Financial Reporting (Town Report)	1,000	957.50	1,000
4150.2	Auditing	4,165	3,165.00	6,000
4150.3	Assessing	17,873	12,587.75	15,000
4150.4	Treasurer Salary	2,700	2,925.00	2,700
4150.5	Deputy Treasurer Salary	240	10.00	240
4150.6	Mileage	50	0.00	50
4150.7	Fire Proof File Cabinet/Supplies	500	0.00	50
4153	LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500	5,120.81	6,000
4153.1	Claims, Judgments and/or Settlements	1,000	0.00	1,000
4153.2	Attorney Fees - General Advice	7,500	5,120.81	5,000
4155	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	54,000	49,616.16	48,000
4155.1	Benefits Not Allocated to Other Departments	6,000	5,511.47	8,000
4155.2	Health Insurance	38,000	35,959.88	25,000
4155.3	FICA	10,000	8,144.81	15,000
4191	PLANNING AND ZONING	1,145	466.24	700
4191.1	Planning Board Postage	115	215.33	275
4191.2	Planning Board Advertisement	30	27.00	50
4191.3	Zoning Appeals	0	0.00	25
4191.4	Zoning Seminars	250	0.00	25
4191.5	Zoning Supplies	145	0.00	0
4191.6	Zoning Administration	200	0.00	0
4191.7	Planning Board Dues	100	0.00	100
4191.8	Planning Board Supplies	280	103.91	50
4194	Planning Board Seminars/Training	25	120.00	175
4194	GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	15,750	12,789.46	9,100
4194.1	Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance:	7,500	5,091.85	2,500
4194.4	Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance: Wages	0	199.00	600
4194.6	Cleaning Supplies	400	360.64	1,000
4194.7	Contracted Services(Security Monitoring)	500	210.00	2,000
4194.8	Electricity	2,500	2,215.37	3,000
4194.1	Heat	4,000	4,294.97	3,000
4195	Other (Water/Bubbler)	850	417.63	0
4195	CEMETERIES	3,000	1,446.91	3,000
4195.1	Cemetery Repairs & Maintenance	1,000	0.00	1,000
4195.2	Salaries	1,500	1,106.00	1,500
4195.3	Supplies	150	69.32	150
4195.4	Mileage	0	53.40	0
4195.5	Repairs & Maintenance Wages	0	0.00	0

2007 BUDGET

	4195.6	Fuel	350	218.19	350
4196		GENERAL INSURANCE	12,500	11,733.89	16,000
	4196.1	Property & Liability Insurance	8,500	7,893.72	11,000
	4196.2	Workers' Compensation	4,000	3,840.17	5,000
4197		ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOC	1,700	1,382.51	1,700
	4197.1	Advertising	1,000	714.39	1,000
	4197.2	Dues	700	668.12	700
4199		OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	11,025	4,249.48	12,050
	4199.1	Exigent/Hazardous Circumstances	25	0.00	25
	4199.2	Forestry	0	0.00	25
	4199.3	Tax Mapping	1,000	681.48	2,000
	4199.4 *	Grants	10,000	3,568.00	10,000

*offset by revenues

4210		2 - PUBLIC SAFETY	122,882	113,983.37	124,834
		POLICE	78,375	73,298.58	77,862
	4210.1	Police Chief Wages	8,000	7,674.00	8,000
	4210.2	Police Officer Full Time Wages	40,000	38,835.98	38,000
	4210.3	Police Officer Part Time Wages	4,500	2,312.00	7,500
		On Call Time	3,500	0.00	0
		Special Detail	0	296.00	0
	4210.4	Telephone/Communications	2,500	2,974.87	2,500
	4210.5	Dues & Subscriptions	450	488.00	600
		Other-Computer Maint.	500	40.00	0
	4210.6	Office Supplies	750	1,217.67	750
	4210.7	NH Special Ops Unit	2,500	2,500.00	2,500
	4210.8	Dispatch Service	6,500	5,962.00	5,962
		Prosecutor	4,000	3,545.76	4,000
	4210.9	Vehicle Maintenance	1,000	2,804.28	1,200
		Cruiser Equipment	0	619.77	250
	4210.1	Uniforms	500	779.14	1,000
	4210.11	Books/Periodicals	75	41.95	125
	4210.12	Guns & Ammunition	500	573.86	500
	4210.13	Mileage	500	477.04	500
	4210.14	Postage	100	0.00	125

2007 BUDGET

4220	4210.15	Gasoline for Cruiser	2,500	2,156.26	3,000
		FIRE/AMBULANCE	41,507	39,352.47	43,972
	4220.1	Administration	500	244.99	2,000
		Communications	0	787.41	1,500
	4220.3	Equipment	2,500	0.00	2,000
	4220.4	Contracted Services - Hebron	25,000	25,534.55	25,000
	4220.5	Contracted Services - Rumney	8,000	7,461.69	7,000
	4220.6	Lakes Region Mutual Aid	5,507	5,323.83	5,472
4290		EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	3,000	1,332.32	3,000
	4290.1	Other	3,000	1,332.32	3,000
4311		3 - HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	93,520	67,840.71	69,783
		ADMINISTRATION	56,420	39,454.94	43,483
	4311.1	Wages	49,920	33,634.75	37,283
	4311.2	Telephone	900	964.18	900
	4311.3	CDL Testing	350	208.75	200
	4311.4	Electricity	900	893.92	800
	4311.5	Heating Fuel	2,000	1,993.83	2,000
	4311.6	Building Maintenance	2,000	1,349.10	2,000
	4311.7	Travel Expense	200	115.70	100
	4311.8	Membership/Dues	100	65.00	0
	4311.9	Office Supplies	50	229.71	200
4312		HIGHWAYS & STREETS	36,200	27,504.69	25,400
	4312.1	Paving & Reconstruction	0	0.00	0
	4312.2	Cleaning & Maintenance	200	194.80	200
	4312.3	Highway Vehicles-Equipment Repairs	7,000	14,585.30	7,000
	4312.4	Equipment Rentals	4,000	0.00	1,000
	4312.5	Material	2,000	2,073.43	1,000
	4312.6	Signs	300	0.00	250
	4312.7	Uniforms	500	194.68	500
	4312.8	Tools & Equipment Purchases	1,000	479.84	500
	4312.9	Gas	200	89.12	450
	4312.1	Winter Fuel	5,000	5,325.60	6,000
	4312.11	Salt, Sand, Deicer	8,000	4,561.92	8,000
	4312.12	Hydrants	0	0.00	0
	4312.13	Vegetation Control	3,000	0.00	500
	4312.14	Other-Culverts	5,000	0.00	0
4316		STREET LIGHTING	900	881.08	900
	4316.1	Utility Charges	900	881.08	900
		4 - SANITATION	61,484	58,066.48	63,390

*offset by revenues

2007 BUDGET

4321	MONITORING	9,685	10,122.86	7,000
	Landfill Monitoring	9,685	10,122.86	7,000
4324	SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	51,800	47,943.62	56,390
	Wages	21,000	20,264.00	27,040
	Telephone	600	532.80	550
	Training & Certification	300	218.40	200
	Electricity	1,000	968.24	1,000
	Propane	550	525.80	550
	Office Supplies	250	129.49	250
	Compactor Related Expenses	2,000	0.00	4,500
	Mileage	250	0.00	200
	Dues	1,500	1,268.54	1,400
	Other (Portable Toilet)	1,800	1,707.70	1,100
	Dumping Toneage	0	0.00	13,650
	Transportation Costs	22,000	22,328.65	5,400
	Uniforms	300	0.00	300
	Safety (fire extinguishers)	250	0.00	250
4411	6 - HEALTH	4,842	6,930.17	7,319
	ADMINISTRATION	1,300	3,461.17	3,850
	Stipend	500	3,000.00	3,000
	Supplies/Postage	200	73.46	100
	Mileage	400	212.71	350
	Dues	200	175.00	100
4415	HEALTH AGENCIES AND HOSPITALS	3,542	3,469.00	3,469
	Plymouth Regional Clinic	1,000	1,000.00	1,000
	Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency	2,232	2,187.00	2,187
	Task Force / Domestic Violence	310	282.00	282
4442	7 - WELFARE	6,850	6,406.07	6,850
	DIRECT ASSISTANCE	2,000	2,000.00	2,000
	Direct Assistance	2,000	2,000.00	2,000
4444	INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE PAYMENTS	850	850.00	850
	Tri-County Community Action	750	750.00	750
	Grafton County Senior Citizens	100	100.00	100
4445	VENDOR PAYMENTS	4,000	3,556.07	4,000

2007 BUDGET

4445.2	Other Vendor Payments	4,000	3,556.07	4,000
4520	8 - CULTURE AND RECREATION	6,984	5,942.68	5,425
4520.1	PARKS & RECREATION	2,500	0.00	25
4520.2	Administration	0	0.00	0
4520.3	Maintenance of Parks	2,500	0.00	25
4550	Maintenance of Recreational Facilities	0	0.00	0
4550.1	LIBRARY	3,484	5,278.70	4,600
4550.2	Wages*	1,000	794.70	
4583.1	Library Other	0	2,000.00	2,000
4611	Special Programs Tappin Thompson Community Center	2,484	2,484.00	1,500
4611.1	PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	500	450.00	500
4611.2	Town Events	500	450.00	500
	CONSERVATION	500	213.98	300
	Other	345	213.98	0
	Postage	155	0.00	0
4902	13 - CAPITAL OUTLAY	119,975	105,696.16	110,456.00
4903	MACHINERY, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT	50,838	18,546.16	18,756
4903	BUILDINGS	11,037		
4909	BUILDINGS ENCUMBERED		13,000.00	13,200
4915	IMPROVEMENTS OTHER THAN BUILDINGS	40,000	21,150.00	25,500
	14 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS UOI	18,100	53,000.00	53,000.00
	TRANSFERS TO THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	18,100	53,000.00	53,000

*offset by revenues

BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: Groton

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 14, 2007

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Michael Bogue
[Signature]

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	3	49,685	44,742.62	49,865	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	3	42,895	36,820.31	37,882	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	3	25,040	19,645.25	26,353	
4152	Revaluation of Property	3	0	0	0	
4153	Legal Expense	3	6,000	5,120.81	8,500	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	3	48,000	49,616.16	54,000	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	3	700	466.24	1,145	
4194	General Government Buildings	3	9,100	12,789.46	15,750	
4195	Cemeteries	3	3,000	1,446.91	3,000	
4196	Insurance	3	16,000	11,733.89	12,500	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	3	1,700	1,382.51	1,700	
4199	Other General Government	3	12,050	4,249.48	11,025	
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	3	77,862	73,298.58	78,375	
4215-4219	Ambulance	3	0	0	0	
4220-4229	Fire	3	43,972	39,352.47	41,507	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	3	0	0	0	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	3	3,000	1,332.32	3,000	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)		0	0	0	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations		0	0	0	
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	3	43,483	39,454.94	56,420	
4312	Highways & Streets	3	25,400	27,504.69	36,200	
4313	Bridges		0	0	0	
4316	Street Lighting	3	900	881.08	900	
4319	Other		0	0	0	
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration	3	7,000	10,122.86	9,685	
4323	Solid Waste Collection		0	0	0	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	3	56,390	47,943.62	51,800	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up		0	0	0	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		0	0	0	

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WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration		0	0	0	
4332	Water Services		0	0	0	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other		0	0	0	
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation		0	0	0	
4353	Purchase Costs		0	0	0	
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		0	0	0	
4359	Other Electric Costs		0	0	0	
HEALTH			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration	3	3,850	3,461.17	1,300	
4414	Pest Control		0	0	0	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	3	3,469	3,469	3,542	
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	3	2,000	2,000	2,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts	3	850	850	850	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other	3	4,000	3,556.07	4,000	
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	3	25	0	2,500	
4550-4559	Library	3	4,600	5,278.70	3,484	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	3	500	450	500	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		0	0	0	
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources		0	0	0	
4619	Other Conservation	3	300	213.98	500	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING		0	0	0	
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		0	0	0	
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		0	0	0	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		0	0	0	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		0	0	0	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		0	0	0	

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CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment 7, 8 & 9		18,756	18,546.16		
4903	Buildings 13 & 14		13,200	13,000.00		
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs. 4, 5 & 12		25,500	21,150.00		
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund 6, 10, 11, 15, 17, 21		53,000	53,000.00		
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
SUBTOTAL 1			602,227	552,879	518,283	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	Elevator Capital Reserve	15			5,000	
	Disaster Relief C.R.	16			5,000	
	Conservation Commission	CR 17			100	
	Atwell/Orange Bridge CR	19			5,000	
	Heavy Equipment CR	12			3,000	
	SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	18,100	XXXXXXXXXX

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	Police Cruiser	5			23,500	
	Ford F350 2nd yr Lease	6			6,955	
	Backhoe B95 New Holland	7			13,383	
	Sander	11			5,000	
	60 Inch Finish Mower	13			2,000	
	Elevator Doors/Intercom	8			4,375	
	Pressurized Toilets	9			1,500	
	SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX

Perimeter Drain	10		3,500
Folding Chairs/Tables	18		725
PA System	20		937
Shim River Road	4		35,000
Province Road Repairs	14		5,000
TOTAL			\$101,875.00

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		9,000	8,517.78	9,000
3180	Resident Taxes		0	0	0
3185	Timber Taxes		18,000	9,060.00	10,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		0	0	0
3189	Other Taxes		0	0	0
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		16,000	16,756.19	15,000
	Inventory Penalties		0	375.00	400
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		325	224.04	200
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		0	35.00	250
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		79,000	87,289.42	88,000
3230	Building Permits		10	21.00	20
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		5,000	4,597.00	6,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		0	0	0
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		1570	4,064.00	4,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		19,197	19,196.80	18,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		21,282	13,034.38	21,282
3354	Water Pollution Grant		0	0	0
3355	Housing & Community Development		0	0	0
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		1003	1,002.81	1,000
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		0	0	0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		4,000	28,107.55	25,000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		0	0	0
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		2,000	4,994.32	5,000
3409	Other Charges		0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		0	0	0
3502	Interest on Investments		0	0	0
3503-3509	Other		1,000	0	0

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				12,500
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				42,253
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			177,387	197,265.29	257,905

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	491,771	518,283
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	53,000	18,100
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	57,456	101,875
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	602,227	638,258
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	177,387	257,905
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	424,840	380,353

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of GROTON Year Ending 12/31/2006**DEBITS**

UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR*		2006	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2005	2004	2003+
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	\$ 142,752.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx	\$ 1,331.81	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx	\$ 40.44	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
		xxxxxx			
		xxxxxx			

TAXES COMMITTED THIS FISCAL YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 958,172.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	\$ 8,485.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 19,717.91	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 367.20	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

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Remaining From Prior Year		\$ 2,232.14			
New This Fiscal Year		\$ 2,790.09			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$ 1,866.85	\$ 11,752.81	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 993,631.19	\$ 155,877.06	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of GROTON Year Ending 12/31/2006

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	PRIOR LEVIES			
	2006	2005	2004	2003+
Property Taxes	\$ 821,309.01	\$ 104,871.44	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 8,485.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 8,410.68	\$ 957.64	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Penalties	\$ 1,866.85	\$ 11,752.81	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 183.60	\$ 40.44	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Converted To Liens (Principal only)	\$ 0.00	\$ 38,201.73	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	\$ 2,226.09			

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	\$ 2,558.00	\$ 53.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 11,307.23	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 183.60	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	\$ 2,374.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES -- END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	\$ 131,930.99	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Remaining Overpayments - Prior Yrs.	\$ 6.05			
Remaining Overpayments - This Year	\$ 2,790.09			
This Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 0.00			
Prior Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 0.00			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 993,631.19	\$ 155,877.06	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of GROTON Year Ending 12/31/2006

DEBITS


UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED LIENS	2006	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2005	2004	2003+
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 48,067.49	\$ 15,858.73
Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 42,972.91	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		
Interest & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00	\$ 229.46	\$ 4,419.50	\$ 3,642.32
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$ 0.00	\$ 43,202.37	\$ 52,486.99	\$ 19,501.05

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		2006	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2005	2004	2003+
Redemptions		\$ 0.00	\$ 8,747.52	\$ 23,970.04	\$ 11,687.36
Interest & Costs Collected	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 229.46	\$ 4,419.50	\$ 3,642.32
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$ 0.00	\$ 5,481.35	\$ 6,042.23	\$ 4,171.37
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	#1110	\$ 0.00	\$ 28,744.04	\$ 18,055.22	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$ 0.00	\$ 43,202.37	\$ 52,486.99	\$ 19,501.05

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? _____

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE



Joyce Ann Tolman
DATE 01-10-07

**Minutes of the Town Meeting
Groton, New Hampshire
Town House
March 14, 2006**

Meeting was called to order at 6:15pm.

Attendees were:

Board of Selectmen: Michael Brogna, David Leone

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Joyce Tolman

Town Moderator: Miles Sinclair

Administrative Assistant: Rachel Twombly

Ballot Clerks: Bonnie Lane, Michelle Clark

Supervisors of the Checklist: Diane Cunningham, Judith Demers, Pamela Yinger

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

This article was voted on during the day on March 14th, 2006. The polls opened at 11:00am and closed at 7:02pm.

6:15pm on March 14th, 2006 Town Meeting was called to order by moderator Mile Sinclair. He asked for everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and remain standing for a moment of silence for the troops that have made the ultimate sacrifice. He introduced himself as moderator; he then introduced people in the Town Government, Selectmen: Michael Brogna, David Leone Administrative Assistant: Rachel Twombly, Town Clerk Joyce Tolman.

A written motion was made and seconded to have the petition articles #22, 23, 24 & 25 be discussed and voted on first.

Motion was passed and articles #22, 23, 24, & 25 were moved to the beginning.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the administrative assistant's position from a full time salaried position to a part time hourly position, meaning 30 hours or less, therefore not qualifying for benefits, and to further conduct this vote by ballot. (Petitioned article)

**NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
ARTICLE 22 was DEFEATED by ballot vote of NO 81 YES 16.**

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to dissolve the Groton Town Library, and to further conduct this vote by ballot. (Petitioned article)

NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
ARTICLE 23 was DEFEATED by ballot vote of NO 84 YES 22.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the road agent's position from a full time position to a part time position, meaning 30 hours or less, therefore not qualifying for benefits and to further conduct this vote by ballot. (Petitioned article)

NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
ARTICLE 24 was DEFEATED by ballot vote of NO 91 YES 14.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the town clerk/tax collector's position from a full time position to a part time position, part time meaning 30 hours or less, there for not qualifying for benefits and to further conduct this vote by ballot. (Petitioned article)

NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
ARTICLE 25 was DEFEATED by ballot vote of NO 94 YES 8.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate them sum of four hundred ninety one thousand seven hundred seventy one dollars (\$491, 771.00), which represents the Operating Budget for the ensuing year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
ARTICLE 2 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to modify the optional tax credit for veteran's, pursuant to RSA 72:28, from \$50.00 to \$375.00.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A written motion was made and seconded to amend the Article to read: To see if the Town will vote to modify the optional tax credit for veteran's, pursuant to RSA 72:28, from \$50.00 to \$250.00.

No motion was made or seconded on this amendment.

Another motion was made and seconded to amend the Article to read: To see if the Town

will vote to modify the optional tax credit for veterans, pursuant to RSA 72:28, from \$50.00 to the maximum of \$500.00.

This motion to amend was PASSED.

ARTICLE 3 was PASSED as amended to the \$500.00 maximum.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Parks and Recreation Revolving Fund and to further raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) to be placed in this account by authorizing the transfer of \$2,500.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005, and to further appoint the board of selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 4 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00) for the purpose of making renovations to the Groton Transfer Station and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer \$18,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 5 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars (10,000.00) for deposit in the Disaster Relief Capital Reserve Fund, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 6 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a 4 year lease for the purpose of purchasing a 2006 Ford F350 Cab/Chassis for the highway department at a total cost of twenty nine thousand nine hundred and sixteen dollars \$29,916.00 less the \$9,500.00 from the trade in value of the 2000 Ford F350 one-ton pick up, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand nine hundred and fifty six dollars (\$6,956.00) for the first years lease payment, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$6,956.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005. This lease contains an escape clause.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A motion was made and seconded to amend this Article to: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a 2006 Ford F-550 with dump body, plow, wing and sander for the total cost of \$62,948.00. And to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$62,948.00 from the Unreserved Fund Balance as of December 31st, 2005.

This motion was DEFEATED by hand vote.

ARTICLE 7 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purchase of a snow plow and wing for the highway department's six wheel truck, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 8 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) for the purchase of four tires for the highway department's backhoe, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$1,800.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 9 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for deposit in the Fire Department/Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 10 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of future replacement of the Sculptured Rocks Bridge, and to further authorize the transfer of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for deposit to this fund from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A motion was and seconded to amend Article 11 to read as follows: To see if the Town will

vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of future replacement of the “to change current name of bridge to Atwell Brook or Orange Brook Bridge”, and to further authorize the transfer of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for deposit to this fund from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

ARTICLE 11 was PASSED as amended.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of reshaping and adding gravel to the Town House driveway, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$5,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 12 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) for the purpose of installing an air conditioning system in the Town House, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$8,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 13 was PASSED as written by hand vote NO 32 YES 36.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand two hundred dollars (\$5,200.00) for the purpose of installing a security/fire system at the Town House, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$5,200.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 14 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for deposit to the Truck/Sander Capital Reserve Fund previously established for this purpose, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of (\$3,000.00) from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 15 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for the purpose of a two acre parcel of land located across

from the transfer station for the purpose of a future municipal building, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$25,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

No motion was made or seconded on this article, moderator declared article deceased.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing heavy equipment for the highway department and to further raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for deposit to this fund, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 17 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) for the replacement of culverts and head walls on Province Road, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$35,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2005.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 18 was DEFEATED.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000.00) for repairs on Province Road.

NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

No motion was made or seconded on this article, moderator declared article deceased.

ARTICLE 19 was DEFEATED.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) for the preparation and shimming of River Road.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 20 was DEFEATED.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for deposit in the Playground Capital Reserve Fund.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 21 was PASSED as written.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 26 was PASSED as written.

There was a motion made and seconded to adjourn the March 14th, 2006 Town Meeting, Motion was PASSED and meeting adjourned at 10:50pm.

A TRUE ATTEST OF WARRANT AND TOWN MEETING

Joyce A. Tolman
Town Clerk
Treasurers Report

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2006-DECEMBER 31, 2006

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$83,410.00
Title Fees	378.00
Vital Statistics	12.00
Dog Licenses	668.50
Uniform Commercial Code Fees	120.00
Copy Fees	484.50
Candidate Fees	20.00
Checklist Copies	25.00
Municipal Agent Fees	1,232.50
Bad Check Fees	35.00
Building Permit Fees	21.00
Junk Yard Fees	35.00
Subdivision Plans	126.68
Town House Rental	175.00
Pistol Permits	210.00
Refunds	118.75
Transfer Station	1,347.05
Signs	37.00
Current Use Fees	65.56
Total	\$89,566.54

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1 – December 31, 2006

General Account

Balance on hand January 1, 2006 \$ 300,239.62**

Receipts:

Tax Collector	\$1,023,103.07	
Town Clerk	\$ 93,085.54	
Treasurer	\$ 432,843.60	
Adjustments	\$ 5,874.23	
Bank Interest	\$ 61.47	
Total Receipts		\$ 1,554,967.91

Disbursements: \$ 1,646,417.83

Balance on hand as of December 31, 2006 \$ 208,789.70

On deposit in the Meredith Village Savings Bank

** There was a typographical error in the 2005 Treasurer's Report. Tax Collector amount should have read \$1,228,097.51. Balance as of Dec. 31 should have read \$300,239.62.**

Public Deposit Investment Pool

January 1, 2006-December 31, 2006

Balance on hand January 1, 2006 \$ 96,102.51

Receipts:

Income Earned	\$ 4,730.77	
Contributions	\$ 300,000.00	
Disbursements:		
Withdrawals		\$ 383,000.00

Balance on hand December 31, 2006 \$ 17,833.28

On deposit in NH Public Investment Pool, MBIA

Town Report of the Trust Funds (MS-9)							
Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	%	Principle		Withdrawals	Income	
			Balance Beginning of Year	Contributions		Balance beginning of Year	Income Earned
6/95	Cemetery Fund:						
	N. Groton Cemetery	30.3	\$231.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$430.42	\$31.46
	Tercentennial 2076	23.5	\$180.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$333.83	\$24.40
	Cyrus Blood Lot	10.5	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$149.16	\$10.90
	George Hall	13.1	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$186.46	\$13.60
	DiMichelle Lot	6.3	\$48.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$89.50	\$6.54
	Gilchrist Lot	6.5	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$92.33	\$6.74
	A. Campbell Lot	3.3	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$46.81	\$3.42
	DiMichelle Lot	3.3	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$46.81	\$3.42
	R. Bourque Lot	3.3	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$46.81	\$3.42
6/95	Truck Sander Fund		\$5,676.19	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,048.34	\$575.34
6/95	Dumpsite Fund		\$1,382.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,986.87	\$254.69
6/95	Playground Fund		\$14,256.11	\$20,000.00	\$24,196.92	\$1,005.47	\$1,155.10
6/95	Roof Fund		\$13.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,877.25	\$89.71
12/95	Police Cruiser Fund		\$8,155.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,680.94	\$466.94
12/95	Bicentennial Fund		\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$70.48	\$283.42
12/95	Townhouse Fund		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$427.75	\$20.25
12/04	Disaster Fund		\$9,400.29	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$624.27	\$856.07
3/05	Fire Station & Equip Fund		\$35,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$317.46	\$1,865.47
3/06	Heavy Equip CRF		\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$380.37
3/06	Atwell Orange Brook Bdg.		\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$190.03
							\$5,190.03

Trustees: Karen D. Hershberger, Shirley R. Leone, Alicia M. Brogna

TOWN OF GROTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
JANUARY 1, 2006-DECEMBER 31, 2006

Beginning Balance January 1, 2006	
Checking Account	\$2,192.58
Deposits:	
Appropriation from Town	\$2,000.00
Donations	\$ 130.00
Total	\$4,322.58

Expenses:	
Librarian Wages	794.70
Librarian Supplies	69.40
Trustee Dues	60.00
Verizon	533.30
Books/Magazines	175.58
C.D.s	139.08
Postage	15.60
Rental of Porta Potty	95.00
Copy Machine	142.88
Elwin Tobine	450.00
Shelves for Storage	171.88

TOTAL	\$2,647.42
Ending balance as of December 31, 2006	\$1,675.16

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Halloween and Christmas parties this year. Their time spent helping set up for the festivities, baking goodies, donating presents and candy for the children and even being there for the parties is so much appreciated. So many helped go through the boxes of books and even helped stock the book shelves. There have been so many that have volunteered that we would need a huge piece of paper to list all of them! Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,
Library Trustees, Jacqueline Brogna, Anne Tobine and Joyce Tolman, Librarian
Pamela Yinger

GROTON FIRE CHIEF REPORT 2006

I would like to thank the residents of Groton for another year of no substantial fire activity in Groton. It is nice to see that the residents of town are very fire safe in all their activities. I applaud you in your efforts and encourage all to continue a great job.

Remember to check your smoke detectors at least twice a year and change the batteries at least once a year or more as needed. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 786-2138. I am usually there on weekends and available between 6:00p.m.- 8:00p.m. during the week, or leave a short message and a number where you can be reached.

Thank you once again and have a safe year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roger Thompson
Fire Chief

Warden	Roger Thompson	786-2138
Deputy	William Oakley	744-3094
Deputy	Norman Willey	744-3703
Deputy	Ed Smith	744-2962
Deputy	Joe Pivrotto	786-2381
Issuing Agent	Debra Thompson	786-2138
Issuing Agent	Pat Oakley	744-3094

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

You're local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wild land fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

Fire activity was very high during the first several weeks of the 2006 fire season, with red-flag conditions issued by the National Weather Service and extreme fire danger in many sections of the state. The largest forest fire during this period occurred in late April and burned 98 acres. The extremely dry conditions in spring resulted in over twice the amount of acreage burned than in all of 2005. Our statewide system of fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Fires in the wild land urban interface damaged 6 structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Home owners should take measures to prevent a wild land fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!!

TOWN OF GROTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

To all residents of Groton, thank you again for your generous support of your Police/Emergency Management Departments. This past year saw activity level off, as is reflected in our Grafton County Dispatch fee for the coming year, as the yearly fee is based on calls for service logged at our dispatch center. Flooding again this spring and early summer kept us busy, mainly on the Sculptured Rocks Road, which continues to be problematic, but we were spared the heavy damage that occurred in 2005. Grafton County Sheriff's Dispatch Center recorded 600 calls for service this year, with "walk-in" calls due to the availability of an on duty officer being approximately 300. Calls for service ranged from felony theft, felony reckless conduct with firearms, to routine animal complaints, pistol permits and V.I.N. verifications. 911 emergency calls continue to generate the most calls for service, which is directly attributed to the population growth in our area, as well as increased traffic on our roads and highways. The department issued 36 pistol permits this year. Residents are reminded that permit application forms are available from the town clerk and administrative assistant in the event we are not in the police office, and they will forward them to us for timely processing. Two areas that continually show significant improvement are a decrease in burglaries and break-ins, and also a decrease in motor vehicle accidents. This is due to the proactive program we initiated 4 years ago of increased patrolling and the "house check" program. If you would like your property to be checked on in your absence, contact the department at 744-3703 and we will put you on the schedule. We encourage all residents to "report it if you see it" and help keep Groton a safer place to live. Residents are asked to remember that the 744-3703 police department inner phone line is for routine and business calls only. If you have a Police, Fire or EMS emergency dial 911 and give the operator your information and the appropriate agency will be contacted. The "Crimestar" records management system we received last year on a grant has greatly improved our ability to track statistics, write reports, and communicate with other area departments. We are requesting this year to replace the Explorer cruiser with a new cruiser, as the Explorer is 5 years old and has in excess of 60,000 miles on it. Maintenance on it is becoming more expensive as major wear items are starting to need replacement,

TOWN OF GROTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

(Continued)

even though the routine maintenance has been kept up. We have changed animal shelters this year to the Upper Valley Humane Society in Enfield, as the Laconia shelter we have been using has increased their yearly fee beyond what we feel is fair. The Enfield shelter has a “pay as you go” system, and does not charge a large yearly fee. We were fortunate this year to receive a Department of Safety Grant for the “Car 54” system for the cruiser, which includes a state of the art radar system, lights and siren package, along with voice activated computer controls. This equipment will all fit into the new cruiser with minimal alterations.

Department personnel have remained the same as last year, with Officer Jolly attending a one week advanced course with the New Hampshire Special Operations Unit. All Groton and Hebron officers are sworn in both towns, which makes working with Hebron Fire/EMS more efficient as they handle 90% of all fire and medical calls in Groton. All sworn officers in the department are trained to the First Responder or E.M.T. Basic Level of care, and all cruisers carry a complete field medical aid kit on board. Congratulations to Mike Lemieux who is the Assistant Emergency Management Director on completing his E.M.T. Basic Certification this past year, as this required many long hours of his time to complete. We currently have Police mutual aid with the towns of Alexandria, Bristol, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Rumney, Warren and Wentworth. This year we were fortunate again to receive \$16,525.00 in State and Federal grant monies.

On behalf of all of us at the Groton Police Department we would like to thank all of you for allowing us to serve you.

Chief William White
Sgt. Norman Willey
Officer William Jolly
Officer William Gabler
Officer Travis Austin

GRANTS RECEIVED DURING FISCAL YEAR 2006

"Car 54" Grant	Included new radar, lights, siren Voice activated computerized System for police cruiser	\$8000
O.H.R.V. Grant	Patrol "back country" on ATV Town received \$560 for Administrative fees	\$5525
Update A.E.D.'s	Update the programs in the Grant Automated External Defibrillators In the cruiser and the Town House	\$400.00
Highway Safety	To Fund overtime traffic Enforcement patrols during Summer months in Groton and Hebron	\$1600
Bicycle Safety	To promote new mandatory Grant Helmet law. 30 helmets received From Dept. of Safety to give to Local children	\$1000
TOTAL		\$16,525

TOWN OF GROTON HEALTH OFFICER

Chuck Stata started as Groton's health officer in January. The health officer is nominated by the board of selectmen and appointed by the State (Health and Human Services Department). The select board members serve as deputy health officers.

Groton Health Ordinance: At the request of the select board the health officer developed a comprehensive health ordinance for the town. After several public work sessions and meetings the ordinance was adopted by the board of selectmen and became effective on November 1st, 2006. The ordinance basically follows existing state laws. The major impact is that fines will now come to the town rather than going to the state.

Contracted Services: The health department provided for the residents requiring in home assistance with services provided by Pemi-Baker Home Health and Hospice and the Task Force Against Domestic Violence. These services will be continued for 2007.

Septic Review and Certifications: Since 1967 all dwellings serviced by water or drainage have required state approved septic systems. There is no grandfathering. In 1988 the state started issuing permits for design and operation with D.E.S. inspections. The health officer is checking the D.E.S. list of "permitted" systems against the town records. Where there is no record of an approved system, property owners are being contacted and requested to provide documentation supporting the location and design of their installed systems. In some cases D.E.S. is requiring the systems to be inspected by a licensed septic inspector. About 60 properties have been checked during this year. This process will continue with the goal of all systems being compliant. If you know your system doesn't meet the state standards please plan to install one this year. Other areas the health officer gets involved in is monitoring health issues such as diseases like EEE and West Nile. Groton has been fortunate and has had no cases. It is our goal to keep Groton a safe and healthy place to live. I want to thank all of you for your support and positive attitudes towards keeping Groton a great place.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Stata Health Officer

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

2006 proved to be very productive with continuous efforts to complete all ditching of town roads. The process of replacing culverts on Fletcher and River Road to place this summer, pending town meeting approval of the highway budget completion of this project is set for next summer. Last year's approval for the transfer station renovations came in under budget due to the utilization of the town's employees and equipment allowing the installation of a perimeter fence around the facility which was also funded by this article. The Town House parking area was completed by using this same process. I would like to stress the importance of maintaining a shimming and paving allowance each year in order to spread out the cost of this project rather than asking the townspeople to approve an astronomical paving expense all in one year.

I would like to thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Daniel Tobine
Town of Groton's Road Agent

TOWN OF GROTON TRANSFER STATION

This has been a very busy year at your transfer/recycling center with many changes in personnel, facility layout and efforts to reduce operating costs. First and foremost, the new facility layout has been finished, with a much more user friendly layout which also makes routine maintenance much easier to accomplish. This project came in under the budgeted warrant article, and is complete except for staining the on-site buildings which will be done in the spring. Refrigerators and freezers are now taken directly to the Plymouth Recycling Facility without us having to remove the Freon from them at our facility, which saves labor costs associated with this process.

We have further reduced labor costs by going to one attendant on duty during open hours during the fall, winter, and spring seasons. We will have two attendants on duty during the Memorial Day through Labor Day “busy” season to ensure that you will be able to move through the facility in a timely manner. We could not have done this without the cooperation of Al Conkey and Jerry Berry to help us reduce operating costs and to both of them we owe a big thank you! Also we are attempting to do as much of the landfill test monitoring as we are allowed to do by State and Federal agencies ourselves in an attempt to reduce this cost as it is the second largest cost item in our budget.

We have received approximately \$1800.00 in recycling revenues this year, of which most came from the 37 tons of cardboard and paper goods we processed. Construction debris dumpsters will be available on site from mid May to mid June and then again in August and September. A reminder to all residents and taxpayers a transfer station sticker must be shown if requested by the attendants. Stickers are available at the town clerks office. Due to the new layout of the

facility, we ask all users to ensure their recyclables are separated before putting them into the containers as it is difficult for Al or Jerry to access the containers to remove mixed items. Tonnage and transportation costs for our compacted waste continue to be difficult to control and they fluctuate with the price of fuel as we’ve all experienced this past year. The best way you can reduce our operating costs is by continuing to actively recycle any of your waste that is recyclable!

Respectfully Submitted,

Norm Willey
Al Conkey
Jerry Berry

GROTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our mission to restore Schoolhouse #4 and to open a museum about Groton's history has been accomplished.

The weekend of June 30th and July 1st we held an opening for members and then for the community. After a time of visiting and the serving of refreshments President Bob Whitmore presented two plaques which are now on display at the museum. One lists the 23 people who were steadfast in their dedication to bring the restoration and the museum about; one is the first Annual Groton Historian Award that was given to Louise Traunstein, Archivist and Membership Chair. We then presented three displays with talks on old tools and artifacts from the Palermo Mine and on old bottles. This was our second program given in 2006. On March 10th we hosted a talk given by Kevin Downey on Caves of the World. Both programs were well attended. On Old Home Day, August 19th, we welcomed visitors to the museum and also to our display at the Town House. We were please to present photos of the Duncklee Family who resided in Groton about 1893 to 1911. Their two children attended School #4. The great granddaughter of Amy Duncklee was present to greet guests at the museum and she proudly displayed Amy's wedding dress... over 100 years old.

We had over 100 visitors during the summer. One special one was when Ellen Anderson, who has held most of our offices and worked for many years for G.H.S., came from her California home to visit the museum. With great emotion she stated proudly, "And they said it couldn't be done!" We presently have 89 Life Members and approximately 50 Annual Members. We send out a quarterly newsletter presenting historical facts about Groton, stories written by Groton fold of their memories and Groton family's genealogical information. We plan to be open each Saturday from May to October in 2007 and also by appointment. Hope to see you at the museum.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Groton Historical Society

TOWN OF GROTON PLANNING BOARD

As explained in last year's report the 1987 Master Plan has been updated. With most monthly meetings sparsely attended, this year was quite the contrary. A project proposed in town created quite a bit of interest, as it turned out, most of it negative. With a hearing being moved to larger quarters to accommodate all in attendance, the interim growth management ordinance was adopted. This ordinance will be put before the voters at town meeting as well as The National Flood Plain Revised Ordinance that must be adopted in order to assure continued participation with the Nation Flood Insurance Program. The Master Plan and Subdivision revisions were adopted also. Among subdivision submissions this year were thousands of acres of timber lands in Groton, which topped out a very busy year!

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve "Slim" Spafford, Chairman

Jo O'Connor

Steve Lindsey

Nate Hershberger

Russ Carruth

Dave Leone, Selectmen's Liaison

TOWN OF GROTON RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

The year 2006 was a very busy and exciting year for the Groton Recreation Committee. The members and dedicated volunteers of the G.R.C. held many fundraisers through out the year to raise money for the playground. Including a spring fling dance, a quilt and giant raffle, and a great craft fair. With all of this and donations we were able to raise over \$1,300.00 to put into our revolving fund.

Also with an endless amount of planning and organizing, many, many phone calls, and a lot of hard work we were able to get the playground over 90% completed while coming in under budget! Unfortunately due to fall rains and the oncoming of winter we

were not able to complete all of our projects. But with the help of our wonderful volunteers and committee members we only have a few things to do in the spring of 2007. The tasks remaining to be completed this spring are: install swing set, install the super dome, spread the sand under and around the playground equipment, and move the existing loam piles. With these tasks completed we will be ready for our grand opening and the park will be ready to have kids playing on it.

The members of the G.R.C. would especially like to thank all of our volunteers for their generosity and hard work, Lewis and Marnia Chase, Mike Brogna, Gordon and Charles Coursey along with their crew, Dan Tobine, John and Goldie Morrow, Dave and Shirley Leone, Mike Lemieux, Dave Sharp, Lyle Thompson, John Faucher, Rich O'Connor and Chuck and Paula Stata. With out all of your hours of hard work and unending dedication to this project we would not have been able to complete all that we did. We are forever grateful to all of you. It is truly amazing what can be accomplished when people come together for the good of the town. Thanks again from the Groton Recreation Committee

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Brogna
Joyce Tolman
Anne Tobine
Pamela Yinger

TOWN OF GROTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This year the Conservation Commission Board is at seven voting members with two advisors, Stephen “Slim” Spafford, and Norman Willey. In July the Conservation Commission annual elections took place, Jo O’Connor was reelected as chairwoman, Gordon Coursey was elected as vice chairman, Jackie Broгна was elected as secretary. Also serving on the board are Kyle Browning, Shirley Leone, Joyce Tolman and Betty Smolinsky

Last year the commission’s first project was to discover where the town’s properties were located and to look at the properties. The commission members did look at the properties, but have not yet made recommendations for the use of those properties with the exception of “The pond” property.

During the year Marjory Swope, Executive Director of the N.H. Association of Conservation Commission. Marjory was very resourceful for Groton’s Conservation Commission. Her successor, Carol Andrews, continues that helpful tradition. Early on in her new position, Carol heard Groton’s Conservation Commission was considering cleaning up the pond area as an example of conservation management. Carol attended that meeting held at the pond and made some reasonable recommendations while offering encouragement.

Unfortunately the spring fed pond had become home for a number of discarded tires. Early in September Gordon Coursey and Kyle Browning cleaned the pond by pulling out those tires. Later on the two leveled the land surrounding the pond and then seeded it. Now that the pond has been restored the commission has decided to have the pond stocked and hold a fishing derby for the children in Groton and the surrounding area in the spring of 2007.

Depending on the response to the 2007 derby the commission may make holding a fishing derby an annual event, as one part of the commission’s duties.

Respectfully Submitted,

Town of Groton Conservation Commission

TAPPLY –THOMPSON COMMUNITY CENTER

We are grateful to all of the volunteers, sponsors, coaches and donors that helped to make 2006 a success. We offered some exciting new programs and fundraisers. Here are just a few of the highlights:

.Newfound Biggest loser I & II: A new program offered by Dan MacLean, Assistant Director. The BLI had five teams participate in this fitness challenge that includes a weekly weigh-in, healthy eating habits, increasing physical activity, and team competitions. The winning team receives a \$300 shopping spree at the Tanger Outlet Mall. The BLII session has 24 teams currently competing for the distinction of being the “Biggest Losers”!

.Celebrating Our Stars: recognition of community members that have gone “above and beyond” in their volunteering efforts for the TTCC programs, fundraisers or events has been implemented with three volunteers from Alexandria and New Hampton being recognized to date.

.CoachSmartNH: The TTCC was chosen as a pilot site for this new program developed by UNH & the New Hampshire Recreation & Parks Association. We have now trained over 50 coaches with a training that consists of a three hour workshop covering coaching philosophy, communication, planning and teaching of sports skills.

.Travel Raffle Club: This new fundraiser was created by Carolynn Monahan and has proven to be a popular and successful one. In 2006 we sold 150 tickets for trips to Vegas and Bermuda. This will continue with new trips every two months.

.Honorable Mention: Adult Indoor Soccer, Cardio Kickboxing, Junior Olympic Basketball Program, Trip to the USS Battleship Massachusetts.

Some of the building projects completed this year included the purchase of a used commercial oven for the kitchen, new septic in the driveway, repainting of the nursery floor, and refinishing of the gym and upstairs floors. The TTCC was the recipient of an HNH Foundation Grant to purchase equipment for physical fitness for elementary school children. With these funds we were able to purchase snowshoes, parachutes, balls and soccer goals. Last, but by no means least, was the hiring of a Program Assistant in June. Sarah Fitzgerald began her duties in July working at each of the summer camps and becoming familiar with the Newfound Community. She is implementing new teen program activities, offering expanded after school program and brings tremendous positive energy to our youth. In closing we wish to thank the residents of the Newfound Towns for your support of the TTCC. Come and recreate with us, the benefits are endless....

PLYMOUTH REGIONAL CLINIC

Plymouth Regional Clinic is requesting that area towns appropriate funds to the clinic in their 2007-2008 budgets.

We are a nonprofit Clinic providing general medical care to area residents who have limited incomes and no health insurance. Since the clinic opened in July 1994, our volunteer physicians, nurse practitioners, and nurses have provided medical care, one evening a week, for more than 3,930 patient visits.

We have seen patients of all ages and for varying medical complaints, from minor ailments to life-threatening illness, with many seeking treatment for illnesses or conditions which have gone unattended because the patient could not afford medical care. We have also assisted many patients in identifying and accessing other available medical and social services which might help them.

In addition, since July 2000, we have offered limited assistance with the cost of prescription medications to our patients who are unable to pay for a prescription medications and our budgetary constraints, this service is currently limited to patients whose prescription has been written at Plymouth Regional Clinic and to short-term, immediate needs.

Plymouth Regional Clinic does not charge for its services and we have managed to keep operating expenses low through the generous donation of in-kind services by Family Planning, Plymouth State College, Speare Memorial Hospital and area business; as well as through the volunteer services provided by area physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses and other volunteers. Nevertheless, the costs associated with a part-time Administrator and our Prescription Drug Assistance Program mean that our expenses continue to increase. Other ongoing operating expenses include expenses such as insurance, telephone service, medical and office supplies, photocopying and government fees, among others. Our Board of Directors has been pursuing other funding sources in order to address the Clinic's clear need for additional funds in order to be able to continue our services. We are partners in the Lakes Region United Way, which provide some needed funds, and we have been awarded a two year grant from Speare Memorial Hospital, which will help sustain our services while we try to develop other funding sources. We continue to solicit donations through our annual appeal letter each December; nevertheless, the Clinic continues to rely on the generosity of the area's towns in order to continue providing care.

VOICES AGAINST VIOLENCE

From July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 Voices Against had 3,227 contacts with 384 victims of domestic violence or sexual assault, as well as provided countless hours of education and support around these issues to other individuals and organizations in your area. Direct services included crisis counseling through our 24-hour hotline; support groups for domestic and sexual violence victims; hospital, police and court accompaniment; restraining order assistance; referrals to agencies for housing and food assistance; assisting with educational and employment opportunities; and much more. Our staff also conducted workshops for students and faculty in the Plymouth and Newfound School Districts on topics such as bullying prevention, healthy relationships and boundaries, how to help a friend in an abusive situation, and teen dating violence. We are also working with law enforcement, clergy and medical providers in your area to create a unified community response to domestic and sexual violence, and will be placing a great deal of effort in our prevention activities that will hopefully alleviate long-term burdens on the town that result from family violence.

Sincerely,

Jaye Olmstead
Executive Director

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and North Woodstock, the information and assistance program Grafton County ServiceLink, and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Volunteer Center (RSVP). Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, congregate dining programs, transportation, adult day care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2006, 18 older residents of Groton were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center.

Σ Older adults from Groton enjoyed 72 balanced meals in the company of friends in the center's dining room.

Σ They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 6 visits by a trained social worker.

Σ Groton residents also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 43 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Groton residents in 2006 was \$599.00.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care.

They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Groton's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

PEMI-BAKER HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE

Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice strives to provide the citizens of Groton with a multitude of services and programs. The goal of our services is to allow people to remain at home in a safe environment. Important initiatives during 2006 have been....

- Monthly Foot Care Clinic at the Plymouth Senior Center for the purpose of grooming toenails and recommendations to physicians if necessary.
- Training of Hospice volunteers to assist our hospice patients and families. We currently have 15 appreciated volunteers. Quarterly education programs for the volunteers to enhance their knowledge.
- Participation in the Plymouth Regional High School's Licensed Nursing Assistant training program. Provided a six week internship in Home Health for the students. Member of the Board of Directors for the program.
- Annual Hospice Tree Lightings, hosted by Dresser's Unlimited and the Woodsville Bank. The Hospice Memorial trees honor past and present hospice patients.
- Ongoing participation with Speare Memorial Hospital with family and friends of past hospice patients to honor and celebrate the lives of these hospice patients.
- Held a memorial service at the Plymouth Methodist Church with family and friends of past hospice patients to honor and celebrate the lives of these hospice patients.
- Member of the Community Disaster Planning Committee with other professional community members.

Our mission as a non-profit organization is to serve citizens of Groton and surrounding communities with appropriate home care services. We appreciate and thank you for your ongoing loyal support of our services and our staff.

PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE

The Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District met seven (7) times during the 2006 calendar year. In 2006 District programs provided residents access for proper disposal of their household hazardous wastes (HHW), paint, fluorescent light bulbs, antifreeze and rechargeable batteries. The District also secured a disposal agreement which will provide District members with some of the best tipping fees in the State.

The District's one-day HHW collection program was a tremendous success. The District held three (3) one-day collections. They were held in the towns of Littleton, Plymouth and Rumney. 386 participants (vehicles) took part serving an estimated 926 residents. This year's participation numbers exceeded the annual totals for the years 2002-2005 and was nearly an 85% increase over the 2005 participation numbers. A number of communities brought waste that had been dropped off at their individual transfer stations, and because there is no effective means to record the number of residents doing this, it should be understood that the participation numbers reported are conservative. In actuality, the District's program is serving a greater number of the District population. The total cost for disposal for the one-day collection program was \$30,980. The District received over \$11,400 in grant funds from the State of NH's HHW grant program to help offset a portion of the program's cost. The estimated 45,000 pounds of waste collected is the highest yearly total since 2002, when the District held five (5) one-day collections. In 2007 the District plans to hold two (2) collections, one in Littleton in the spring and one in Plymouth in the fall.

Accompanying the one-day HHW collection program were the individual municipal transfer station collections for paint, fluorescent lights, and antifreeze. An estimated 2,000 gallons of paint, 27,000 feet of fluorescent light bulbs and 700 gallons of antifreeze were collected through these programs. These ongoing collections not only provide less expensive recycling options for wastes typically collected at HHW collections, but they also allow residents greater access to disposal opportunities, in turn minimizing the potential for improper disposal.

Lastly, the District finalized a seven year agreement with North Country Environmental Services for the disposal of municipal solid waste (\$57 per ton) and construction and demolition debris (\$60 per ton). The agreement runs through April 30th 2013 and will couple affordable rates with long-term stability for District members. Many thanks go to the members who worked on this effort. Their time and efforts are very much appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert Berti
PBSWD Chairman

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH

Public Health begins a new year! In addition to making certain that our communities have prepared for an Influenza Pandemic, other issues of growing importance will need our attention, such as performance standards and accreditation of health departments. All of this will occur while we, as board members, continue to provide advice and oversight for the activities and programs of our departments. Clearly there will be many challenges for public health and for the boards that provide the leadership in maintaining and improving community health. The National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) is committed to assisting you in meeting these challenges, keeping you informed, providing education and training, and advocating for the essential role of board of health members. If your board is already a member of NALBOH, then you are already aware of the NewsBrief, the annual conference, the website and the list of publications that can be ordered, ranging from the general (Guide to Becoming an Effective Board of Health Member) to the specific (Onsite Wastewater Treatment)-all written to educate and inform board of health members.

This letter is to request to renew your membership in NALBOH or, if not presently a member, to join. Your support and involvement makes the NALBOH programs possible. We need you and your board. Become an active member of one of the most exciting public health organizations representing the volunteers who serve America's public health system. Boards of health truly are the "Grass Roots of Public Health".

Your membership helps NALBOH to represent over 3,200 local boards of health in America. You will have a voice in Washington. You can help shape our nation's public health policies and procedures.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Gwinn
NALBOH President

REPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF DISTRICT ONE

By: Raymond S. Burton, Executive Councilor

It is an honor to report to the people of this large Northern District in my capacity as Executive Councilor, one of several elected public servants. The five member Council was founded in the NH Constitution and much of NH law provides an additional avenue at the top of your Executive Branch of State Government.

2007 will be a year when members of the Council are charged with conducting public hearings on the State of New Hampshire 10-year transportation plan. With inflation affecting basic transportation costs, and presently no plan for an increase in the State gasoline tax, I don't look for any new projects becoming a reality. We'll be lucky to complete what is currently in the plan.

The NH website is very valuable to citizens. If internet is not available to you, use your local public or school library to go to www.nh.gov and find all state agencies, general court (representatives) and senate members, mailing addresses, and where legislative bills and proposals are. I send my weekly schedule to some 500 e-mail addresses that include town offices, county officials, district media, NH House and Senate members, and others. If you would like to be on that e-mail list please send your e-mail address to rburton@nh.gov. I often include other public notices and information.

It is an honor to continue to serve you now in my 29th and 30th years as a public servant. Contact my office anytime about your ideas, concerns and problems with state government. I respond to all inquiries and challenges.

Sincerely,

Raymond Burton
Executive Councilor

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION
GROTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Resident Death Report
01/01/2006 - 12/31/2006

Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
Hobart, Everett	02/22/2006	Groton, NH	Hobart, Frank	Rogers, Edna
Lindsey, James	05/27/2006	Groton, NH	Lindsey, James	Berde, Lillian
Albert, Helen	06/14/2006	Concord, NH	Ordway, Clarence	McDaniels, Elizabeth
Risley, Patricia	09/22/2006	Lebanon, NH	Patterson, Horace	Gould, Mary

Resident Birth Report
01/01/2006 - 12/31/2006

Child's Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
McKellar, Laurel River	02/28/2006	Laconia, NH	McKellar, Joseph	Chamberlain, Michelle
Amaral, Ayyianna Souttani	04/18/2006	Plymouth, NH		Amaral, Becky
Viger, Josephine Simone	06/25/2006	Laconia, NH	Viger, Ronald	Viger, Cassandra
Robinson, Tristan Michael	07/18/2006	Nashua, NH		Robinson, Heather

Resident Marriage Report
01/01/2006 - 12/31/2006

Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
Faucher, John J	Groton, NH	Dodge, Kimberley D	Groton, NH	Rumney	Plymouth	05/12/2006
Bowen, Raymond E	Groton, NH	Davis, Kathleen A	Groton, NH	Plymouth	Lincoln	08/19/2006
Corniea, Jarrod E	Groton, NH	Bruce, Deanna M	Groton, NH	Plymouth	Dorchester	09/01/2006
Oakley, Zachary W	Groton, NH	Mutney, Jaime	Groton, NH	Plymouth	Groton	12/24/2006

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Emergency - Fire, Police, Medical	911
Traveler Information	511
NH Help Line (24 Hour)	1-800-852-3388
Headrest (Crisis Line)	1-800-639-6095
Citizen Services (Governor's Office)	1-800-852-3456
NH State Police (Emergency Line)	1-800-525-5555
Grafton County Sheriff	1-800-564-6911
Carroll County Sheriff	1-800-552-8960
Tri-County Community Action	1-800-552-4617
Southwestern Community Service	1-800-529-0005
Belknap/Merrimack Community Action	1-800-856-5525
NH Employment Security	1-800-852-3400
NH Health & Human Services	1-800-852-3345
NH Veterans Council	1-800-622-9230
NH Insurance Department	1-800-852-3416
NH Emergency Management	1-800-852-3792
NH Public Utilities Commission	1-800-852-3793
Granite State Living Foundation	1-800-826-3700
NH State Liquor Commission	1-800-543-4664
NH Community Technical Colleges	1-800-247-3420
Autocap	1-800-852-3305
Corrections Information	1-800-479-0688
NH Workforce Council	1-800-772-7001
NH Elderly & Adult Services	1-800-442-5640
NH Dept. of Labor	1-800-272-4353
NH AIDS Hotline	1-800-752-2437
NH Housing Authority	1-800-439-7247
NH Higher Educational Assistance	1-800-525-2577
Support Center for Domestic Violence	1-800-774-0544
NH Superior Court	1-800-462-9404
NH Department of Education	1-800-339-9900
NH Fire Academy	1-800-371-4503
NH Assistive Technology	1-800-932-5837
American Red Cross	1-800-834-1501
NH Micro Credit (Businesses)	1-800-769-3482
Small Business Tech Assist.	1-800-837-0656
NH Women & Infant Care (WIC)	1-800-852-3310
Child & Family Services	1-800-640-6486
Service Link	1-800-634-9412